

## **NCO BULGARIA**

### **Information provided by NCO**

#### **VISA INFORMATION**

Foreign citizens must have a valid passport. Please be so kind to contact the Bulgarian embassy in your country for any information concerning **visa and residence permit** regulations.

#### **RESIDENCE**

The host institution is offering an accommodation in a student hostel, the price of which is to be paid from the scholarship. You can also use student restaurant at a reduced price (applicable for under- and post-graduate students)

#### **GRANT PAYMENT**

In order to receive your CEEPUS scholarship, you are kindly requested to contact your Bulgarian host institution. The scholarship will be paid directly at your host institution. The payment is organised on monthly basis by the receiving university.

#### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

Bulgaria is a small country on the Balkans with a territory of 111.000 km<sup>2</sup> and a population of about 8 mln. Despite its small territory, it offers an exceptional variety of landscapes. This is a place where the Black Sea, the Balkan mountains and the Danube and Trace plains come together into an unique harmony. Situated at the cross-roads of many cultures, with its natural and historical wealth, Bulgaria is a perfect place for foreign visitors.

#### **FIRST STEPS**

In general, a host university representative will meet and guide you to your hostel. The information given below might assist those visiting Sofia *From the airport* - There is a bus N 84 into the centre of Sofia; its last station is within a walking distance from the St Kliment Ohridski University of Sofia /price 0.80 leva/. *From the Central railway station and the International bus station* - A number of busses (313, 306) and trams (1, 7) covers the entire city and you can generally reach all the main points within 45 min. (price 0.50 leva). From the station *Orlov most* bus N 280 can take you directly to the student campus. Tickets for public transport in Sofia can be bought at the main

bus and tram stations, from some newspaper shops or from the driver in the vehicle.  
*Taxi* - Taxis in Sofia are quite expensive and prices could vary in a wide range.

CEEPUS participants who would like to reach another town in Bulgaria are advised to contact their host institution at least 15 days before their arrival.

## **HEALT INSURANCE AND MEDICAL CARE**

You are kindly asked to make all necessary arrangements in order to obtain your medical insurance prior your arrival in Bulgaria.

## **BENEFITS ENJOYED BY VISITING STUDENTS AND HOW TO APPLY FOR THEM**

## **WHAT TO DO IN EMERGENCY**

**Please note: "emergency" refers to accidents or serious injuries, serious problems.**